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TEXAS
Labor Market Review

TEXAS EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION SEPTEMBER 1985 AUSTIN, TEXAS 78778

UNEMPLOYMENT DECLINES SEASONALLY

The actual unemployment rate for Texas dropped from 7.7 percent in July to 7.0 percent in August, as the number of unemployed declined by 65,000 to a total of 559,800 in mid-August. The current rate was, however, considerably above the year-ago rate of 5.6 percent. Most of the over-the-month decrease came as unsuccessful summer job-seekers dropped out of the labor force to prepare for school. There were 7,484,700 employed Texans in August, down slightly from both the previous month's and the year-ago levels.

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Aug. 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984
United States (Actual)			
Labor Force	116,679.0	117,536.0	115,076.0
Unemployment	8,051.0	8,682.0	8,382.0
Percent Unemployed	6.9	7.4	7.3
Total Employment	108,628.0	108,854.0	106,694.0
United States (Seasonally Adjusted)			
Labor Force	115,299.0	115,313.0	113,529.0
Unemployment	8,127.0	8,451.0	8,481.0
Percent Unemployed	7.0	7.3	7.5
Total Employment	107,172.0	106,862.0	105,148.0
State of Texas (Actual)			
Labor Force	8,044.5	8,163.6	7,967.2
Unemployment	559.8	624.8	444.3
Percent Unemployed	7.0	7.7	5.6
Total Employment	7,484.7	7,538.8	7,522.9
State of Texas (Seasonally Adjusted)			
Labor Force	8,001.0	8,033.0	7,924.0
Unemployment	570.0	589.0	450.0
Percent Unemployed	7.1	7.3	5.7
Total Employment	7,431.0	7,444.0	7,474.0

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate also decreased between July and August, from 7.3 percent to 7.1 percent. The current rate in this series was also above the August 1984 rate of 5.7 percent. Both the seasonally adjusted and the actual Texas rates in August were higher than the comparable National rates. The U. S. actual unemployment rate declined to 6.9 percent in August, while the seasonally adjusted rate dropped to 7.0 percent.

NONFARM SALARIED EMPLOYMENT DIPS

For the second consecutive month this year, nonagricultural wage and salary employment declined between July and August, as 16,200 jobs were lost over the month. In mid-August, there were an estimated 6,575,800 nonfarm salaried jobs in Texas. The majority of the both the manufacturing and nonmanufacturing industry sectors deleted jobs over the month, as seasonal factors combined with a slower economy. The nonmanufacturing category as a whole decreased by 14,600 in August, as only two major groups produced increases in employment -- wholesale and retail trade and finance, insurance and real estate.

Moderate growth in the retail portion of trade was generated primarily by employers in food, general merchandise, and apparel and accessory stores, as some hiring for back-to-school sales was reported. Seasonal declines occurred in building materials

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT 1/
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Industry	Aug. '85*	July '85**	Aug. '84**	Aug. '85*	July '85**	Aug. '84**	Aug. '85*	July '85**	Aug. '84**
	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN		
TOTAL	52,700	52,800	51,800	80,700	80,200	80,200	340,700	340,500	324,200
Manufacturing	5,800	5,800	5,500	9,900	9,700	10,300	41,800	42,000	41,000
Mining	4,000	4,000	4,000	1,600	1,500	1,900	1,100	1,100	1,100
Construction	3,000	3,000	3,100	5,300	5,200	5,000	29,500	29,200	26,700
Trans., Comm., & Util.	2,800	2,900	2,900	6,300	6,200	6,600	9,500	9,500	9,100
Trade	14,600	14,600	13,900	24,800	24,700	24,200	75,200	74,900	72,400
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,700	2,700	2,700	4,400	4,300	4,400	25,300	25,000	22,900
Services & Misc.	12,400	12,400	12,100	15,900	16,000	15,500	79,900	79,800	72,500
Government	7,400	7,400	7,600	12,500	12,500	12,300	78,400	79,100	78,500
	BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN		
TOTAL	136,200	137,200	143,700	57,800	58,100	59,200	63,900	63,600	63,000
Manufacturing	26,300	27,500	31,500	16,600	16,700	17,200	10,200	10,300	10,900
Mining	2,700	2,800	3,000	2,100	2,100	2,400	100	100	100
Construction	8,900	9,000	9,900	5,900	6,000	7,000	3,600	3,600	3,300
Trans., Comm., & Util.	11,500	11,500	12,000	2,500	2,500	2,700	3,400	3,300	3,200
Trade	34,200	34,100	34,300	11,200	11,200	11,000	18,400	18,500	17,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	5,600	5,600	5,600	2,400	2,400	2,300	3,400	3,400	3,200
Services & Misc.	28,000	28,100	28,900	7,600	7,600	7,600	11,900	11,800	11,800
Government	18,400	18,600	18,500	9,500	9,600	9,000	12,900	12,600	12,700
	BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS 2/		
TOTAL	47,500	47,500	46,100	133,500	134,900	132,600	1,240.8	1,239.4	1,218.6
Manufacturing	3,500	3,400	3,200	13,400	13,500	13,800	222.1	222.0	223.6
Mining	1,400	1,400	1,400	7,400	7,500	7,800	24.0	24.0	23.4
Construction	2,700	2,700	3,100	11,700	12,400	10,400	83.2	83.2	79.6
Trans., Comm., & Util.	1,700	1,600	1,600	7,700	7,800	7,600	77.8	77.5	76.0
Trade	11,100	11,000	10,100	34,800	34,600	33,800	327.9	327.0	324.0
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,000	2,000	1,900	6,300	6,300	6,700	118.8	118.5	114.8
Services & Misc.	7,600	7,600	7,300	26,600	27,100	26,100	260.6	260.3	255.9
Government	17,600	17,800	17,500	25,600	25,700	26,400	126.4	126.9	121.3
	EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	174,100	173,400	169,800	484,100	483,800	467,700	72,900	73,400	70,500
Manufacturing	40,300	39,300	38,900	110,100	110,200	105,700	10,000	10,400	10,300
Mining	500	400	400	4,600	4,600	4,400	1,200	1,200	1,000
Construction	9,500	9,500	9,300	30,300	30,700	29,800	4,200	4,000	4,500
Trans., Comm., & Util.	9,300	9,600	10,100	24,000	24,300	23,800	5,800	5,900	6,000
Trade	41,600	41,600	40,600	132,800	131,900	131,300	14,400	14,500	14,500
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	8,600	8,700	8,300	27,600	27,400	25,900	5,000	5,000	4,900
Services & Misc.	31,100	31,200	30,000	97,400	97,700	92,000	13,400	13,400	12,200
Government	33,200	33,100	32,200	57,300	57,000	54,800	18,900	19,000	17,100

and garden supplies, along with a minimal drop in other retail trade, which includes eating and drinking places. Wholesale trade also registered a minor downturn in August. Seasonal increases helped to push employment up in finance, insurance and real estate, particularly among insurance carriers, agents and brokers.

For the first time since January construction jobs decreased, but only 200 fewer positions were reported over the month. The slowdown came as some summer workers left construction jobs to return to school. Over 1,000 positions were cut in mining over the month, as demand for domestic oil continued to drop. More than 5,000 oil and gas jobs have been lost during the past twelve months.

Transportation and public utilities declined by 3,100 between July and August, as a labor-management dispute idled workers in trucking and transportation by air began slacking off at the end of the summer travel season. Seasonal influences were evident in services which lost 5,600 jobs in August. The departure of many students working in business and repair services during the summer, particularly in temporary help supply agencies, pushed employment down significantly in this sector. Other services and miscellaneous declined by 3,600 over the month as help hired for the summer in legal services also left for school and sports and recreational facilities began laying off workers at summer's end. Amusements, including motion pictures, began deleting jobs as summer activities wound to a close.

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Industry	Aug. '85*	July '85**	Aug. '84**	Aug. '85*	July '85**	Aug. '84**	Aug. '85*	July '85**	Aug. '84**
	HOUSTON 2/			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO		
TOTAL	1,491.2	1,493.9	1,458.8	65,900	65,900	65,000	32,500	32,300	31,500
Manufacturing	174.3	174.7	176.5	8,800	8,800	8,900	1,900	1,900	1,900
Mining	98.4	98.3	96.3	--	--	--	1,700	1,800	1,600
Construction	111.2	111.3	117.4	4,200	4,100	3,800	1,500	1,500	1,300
Trans., Comm., & Util.	104.2	104.2	101.7	3,000	3,000	3,300	3,700	3,700	3,400
Trade	370.7	371.4	369.7	16,200	16,200	16,000	9,900	9,900	9,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	118.0	117.6	110.3	3,000	3,100	2,700	1,600	1,600	1,500
Services & Misc.	340.1	342.1	322.9	11,900	12,000	11,800	5,100	5,100	5,000
Government	174.3	174.3	164.0	18,800	18,700	18,500	7,100	7,300	7,200
	LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION		
TOTAL	65,500	65,800	66,700	92,500	92,400	88,700	77,800	77,100	76,100
Manufacturing	15,000	15,000	15,200	8,500	8,700	8,800	10,500	10,700	10,200
Mining	4,800	4,900	4,800	400	500	600	1,800	1,800	1,800
Construction	4,300	4,400	5,000	5,500	5,200	4,500	4,700	4,500	4,500
Trans., Comm., & Util.	3,400	3,400	3,400	5,100	5,100	4,600	2,800	2,800	2,600
Trade	16,200	16,200	16,300	27,000	27,100	26,200	23,700	23,700	23,500
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,100	3,100	3,000	5,900	5,900	5,600	3,600	3,600	3,500
Services & Misc.	10,900	10,900	11,000	19,700	19,800	19,500	12,100	12,000	11,900
Government	7,800	7,900	8,000	20,400	20,100	18,900	18,600	18,000	18,100
	MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO		
TOTAL	51,700	51,800	51,500	53,600	54,100	53,700	38,200	38,200	37,500
Manufacturing	3,200	3,200	3,500	4,600	4,600	5,000	5,300	5,300	5,500
Mining	12,000	11,800	12,700	8,200	8,400	8,700	900	900	900
Construction	2,700	2,700	2,700	4,100	4,100	3,900	2,600	2,600	2,700
Trans., Comm., & Util.	2,400	2,500	2,500	2,600	2,600	2,700	3,900	3,800	3,800
Trade	12,600	12,700	12,400	16,000	16,100	15,700	9,900	10,000	9,500
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,600	3,500	3,600	2,000	2,100	2,200	1,800	1,800	1,600
Services & Misc.	9,100	9,200	8,600	8,200	8,200	8,000	7,600	7,500	7,400
Government	6,100	6,200	5,500	7,900	8,000	7,500	6,200	6,300	6,100
	SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	472,600	472,600	459,400	37,200	37,200	36,900	46,200	46,300	45,100
Manufacturing	50,900	50,600	52,200	12,200	12,000	12,500	7,500	7,500	7,700
Mining	3,500	3,500	3,500	300	300	300	100	100	100
Construction	37,100	37,100	35,700	1,300	1,500	1,200	1,900	2,000	2,300
Trans., Comm., & Util.	18,400	18,200	18,400	2,100	2,100	2,100	1,900	1,900	1,900
Trade	127,100	126,500	121,600	8,200	8,100	7,900	12,000	11,900	11,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	36,100	36,100	34,300	1,400	1,400	1,300	1,700	1,700	1,700
Services & Misc.	101,800	102,400	99,500	7,100	7,200	6,800	8,500	8,700	8,400
Government	97,700	98,100	94,200	4,600	4,600	4,800	12,600	12,500	11,900
	TYLER			VICTORIA 3/			WACO		
TOTAL	60,500	62,200	61,200	29,600	29,900	29,500	76,600	76,500	75,900
Manufacturing	10,900	12,600	12,500	3,000	3,000	3,000	15,900	15,700	16,500
Mining	3,300	3,300	3,600	2,800	2,900	3,200	--	--	--
Construction	3,300	3,400	2,900	2,900	3,000	2,600	4,600	4,500	4,300
Trans., Comm., & Util.	3,000	3,000	2,900	1,500	1,500	1,500	3,700	3,700	3,500
Trade	16,200	16,200	15,900	8,400	8,300	8,100	19,400	19,300	19,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,500	3,500	3,400	1,600	1,700	1,600	4,900	4,800	5,000
Services & Misc.	12,600	12,500	12,400	5,300	5,400	5,600	17,400	17,500	16,700
Government	7,700	7,700	7,600	4,100	4,100	3,900	10,700	10,900	10,700
	WICHITA FALLS								
TOTAL	51,200	51,300	51,200						
Manufacturing	9,200	9,100	9,500						
Mining	3,200	3,200	3,400						
Construction	2,200	2,200	1,900						
Trans., Comm., & Util.	2,500	2,600	2,600						
Trade	12,700	12,700	12,300						
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,500	2,500	2,400						
Services & Misc.	9,400	9,400	9,400						
Government	9,400	9,600	9,700						

* Preliminary -- subject to revision. ** Revised.

1/ All estimates (except Victoria) prepared by TEC in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

2/ In Thousands.

3/ Estimates for the Victoria MSA are sponsored by TEC.

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY ESTIMATES 1/

Industry	Aug. 1985*	July 1985**	Aug. 1984**	Change From July 1985	Change From Aug. 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT±	6,575,800	6,592,000	6,445,100	-16,200	130,700
Manufacturing	998,800	1,000,400	1,003,200	-1,600	-4,400
Durable Goods	582,000	584,100	584,200	-2,100	-2,200
Lumber & Wood Products	41,600	41,800	43,000	-200	-1,400
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,800	6,900	7,400	-100	-600
Furniture & Fixtures	17,600	17,300	17,700	300	-100
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	51,000	50,700	49,600	300	1,400
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Products	25,500	25,500	23,400	0	2,100
Primary Metal Industries	35,600	35,800	37,000	-200	-1,400
Fabricated Metal Industries	84,400	84,400	83,300	0	1,100
Fabricated Structural Metal Products	43,800	43,500	43,600	300	200
Machinery, Except Electrical	126,600	129,100	132,800	-2,500	-6,200
Oil Field Machinery	38,900	39,400	39,500	-500	-600
Electric & Electronic Equipment	111,500	111,900	110,800	-400	700
Transportation Equipment	79,200	78,600	74,400	600	4,800
Aircraft & Parts	41,700	41,000	36,200	700	5,500
Instruments & Related Products	22,200	22,200	22,900	0	-700
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	12,300	12,300	12,700	0	-400
Nondurable Goods	416,800	416,300	419,000	500	-2,200
Food & Kindred Products	99,500	99,100	94,800	400	4,700
Meat Products	27,500	26,900	25,600	600	1,900
Dairy Products	5,400	5,400	5,300	0	100
Bakery Products	11,900	11,800	10,500	100	1,400
Malt Beverages	3,000	3,100	3,100	-100	-100
Textile Mill Products	4,700	4,700	5,000	0	-300
Apparel & Other Finished Textile Products	59,200	57,900	62,600	1,300	-3,400
Paper & Allied Products	23,700	23,600	24,100	100	-400
Printing & Publishing	73,500	73,400	72,000	100	1,500
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc. Publ.	37,200	37,100	35,800	100	1,400
Chemicals & Allied Products	75,900	76,300	76,900	-400	-1,000
Petroleum & Coal Products	40,300	40,600	41,800	-300	-1,500
Petroleum Refining	37,200	37,400	38,600	-200	-1,400
Leather & Leather Products	7,600	7,500	7,900	100	-300
Other Nondurable Goods	32,400	33,200	33,900	-800	-1,500
Total Nonmanufacturing	5,577,000	5,591,600	5,441,900	-14,600	135,100
Mining	267,700	268,800	273,100	-1,100	-5,400
Oil & Gas Extraction	258,100	259,200	263,500	-1,100	-5,400
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., Exc. Fuel	9,600	9,600	9,600	0	0
Construction	447,000	447,200	436,200	-200	10,800
Transportation & Public Utilities	374,600	377,700	374,500	-3,100	100
Railroad Transportation	23,900	23,900	25,400	0	-1,500
Transportation, Except Railroads	183,000	186,200	180,100	-3,200	2,900
Transportation by Air	40,200	40,900	37,900	-700	2,300
Communication, Exc. U. S. Postal Service	86,900	86,900	89,300	0	-2,400
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	80,800	80,700	79,700	100	1,100
Electric Services	45,200	45,200	44,500	0	700
Gas Production & Distribution	28,800	28,900	29,300	-100	-500
Wholesale & Retail Trade	1,646,800	1,645,700	1,623,600	1,100	23,200
Wholesale Trade	427,100	427,400	430,700	-300	-3,600
Retail Trade	1,219,700	1,218,300	1,192,900	1,400	26,800
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	56,900	57,600	55,500	-700	1,400
General Merchandise Stores	158,200	157,600	154,000	600	4,200
Food Stores	218,900	218,100	212,500	800	6,400
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	141,200	140,800	137,700	400	3,500
Apparel & Accessory Stores	81,200	80,700	81,600	500	-400
Other Retail Trade	563,300	563,500	551,600	-200	11,700
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	429,500	428,600	417,900	900	11,600
Banking	107,200	107,100	105,900	100	1,300
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	132,000	131,400	128,200	600	3,800
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	190,300	190,100	184,400	200	5,900
Services	1,316,700	1,322,300	1,263,800	-5,600	52,900
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	81,800	80,900	79,300	900	2,500
Personal Services	83,100	82,500	77,800	600	5,300
Business & Repair Services	368,300	370,800	355,500	-2,500	12,800
Amusement, Including Motion Pictures	70,200	71,700	53,200	-1,500	17,000
Health Services	344,300	344,300	343,200	0	1,100
Educational Services	50,000	49,500	48,900	500	1,100
Other Services & Miscellaneous	319,000	322,600	305,900	-3,600	13,100
Total Government	1,094,700	1,101,300	1,052,800	-6,600	41,900
Total Federal Government	188,900	189,500	177,800	-600	11,100
Total State Government	266,900	268,600	242,400	-1,700	24,500
Total Local Government	638,900	643,200	632,600	-4,300	6,300

1/ Estimated number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. ±Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics and Employment & Training Administration, U. S. Department of Labor.

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	Aug. '85*	July '85**	Aug. '84**	Aug. '85*	July '85**	Aug. '84**	Aug. '85*	July '85**	Aug. '84**
	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN		
Total Civilian Labor Force	64,200	64,900	63,900	103,400	104,100	103,400	396,200	400,500	379,700
Total Unemployment	3,300	3,800	2,700	5,500	6,100	4,400	17,900	20,400	12,800
Percent Unemployed	5.1	5.9	4.2	5.3	5.9	4.3	4.5	5.1	3.4
Total Employment 2/	60,900	61,100	61,200	97,900	98,000	99,000	378,300	380,100	366,900
	BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN		
Total Civilian Labor Force	174,400	179,400	181,700	84,100	85,700	85,200	93,100	94,800	93,400
Total Unemployment	23,600	26,500	18,500	7,300	7,900	4,900	12,100	14,100	11,800
Percent Unemployed	13.5	14.8	10.2	8.7	9.2	5.8	13.0	14.9	12.6
Total Employment 2/	150,800	152,900	163,100	76,800	77,800	80,300	81,000	80,700	81,600
	BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS 3/		
Total Civilian Labor Force	58,300	59,500	57,200	171,900	176,100	170,900	1,331.3	1,343.8	1,317.0
Total Unemployment	2,800	3,400	2,100	15,500	17,200	13,300	64.9	70.3	45.2
Percent Unemployed	4.8	5.7	3.7	9.0	9.8	7.8	4.9	5.2	3.4
Total Employment 2/	55,500	56,100	55,100	156,400	158,900	157,600	1,266.4	1,273.5	1,271.8
	EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
Total Civilian Labor Force	206,000	209,800	203,800	625,300	633,500	610,700	98,000	100,300	94,900
Total Unemployment	21,600	24,900	19,900	31,600	35,800	22,600	10,400	11,900	8,500
Percent Unemployed	10.5	11.9	9.8	5.1	5.7	3.7	10.6	11.9	9.0
Total Employment 2/	184,400	184,900	183,900	593,700	597,700	588,100	87,600	88,400	86,400
	HOUSTON 3/			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,710.3	1,739.4	1,688.4	81,100	82,500	79,300	39,000	40,400	39,300
Total Unemployment	129.2	146.7	104.4	5,400	6,100	3,900	5,200	5,900	5,900
Percent Unemployed	7.6	8.4	6.2	6.7	7.4	4.9	13.3	14.6	15.0
Total Employment 2/	1,581.1	1,592.7	1,584.0	75,700	76,400	75,400	33,800	34,500	33,400
	LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION		
Total Civilian Labor Force	78,300	79,400	79,500	113,800	115,400	111,700	115,700	117,500	114,600
Total Unemployment	7,600	8,400	6,000	6,400	7,600	5,600	23,700	24,700	22,600
Percent Unemployed	9.7	10.6	7.5	5.6	6.6	5.0	20.5	21.0	19.7
Total Employment 2/	70,700	71,000	73,500	107,400	107,800	106,100	92,000	92,800	92,000
	MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	65,500	66,300	66,400	69,200	70,500	69,900	51,500	52,600	51,200
Total Unemployment	3,200	3,600	2,500	4,100	4,600	3,300	2,500	3,100	2,000
Percent Unemployed	4.9	5.4	3.8	5.9	6.5	4.7	4.9	5.9	3.9
Total Employment 2/	62,300	62,700	63,900	65,100	66,000	66,600	49,000	49,500	49,200
	SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
Total Civilian Labor Force	546,900	555,100	537,800	43,500	44,100	43,100	53,300	53,500	51,300
Total Unemployment	32,600	37,100	25,800	3,000	3,400	1,900	4,800	4,700	3,600
Percent Unemployed	6.0	6.7	4.8	6.9	7.7	4.4	9.0	8.8	7.0
Total Employment 2/	514,300	518,000	512,000	40,500	40,700	41,200	48,500	48,800	47,700
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	82,500	83,400	82,300	38,900	39,500	39,400	93,900	95,100	93,800
Total Unemployment	6,600	5,500	3,900	2,600	3,000	2,100	5,400	6,200	4,000
Percent Unemployed	8.0	6.6	4.7	6.7	7.6	5.3	5.8	6.5	4.3
Total Employment 2/	75,900	77,900	78,400	36,300	36,500	37,300	88,500	88,900	89,800
	WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS 3/		
Total Civilian Labor Force	62,100	63,000	63,300				8,044.5	8,163.6	7,967.2
Total Unemployment	3,300	3,700	2,800				559.8	624.8	444.3
Percent Unemployed	5.3	5.9	4.4				7.0	7.7	5.6
Total Employment 2/	58,800	59,300	60,500				7,484.7	7,538.8	7,522.9

1/ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted).
2/ Includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.
3/ In Thousands.
*Preliminary -- subject to revision. **Revised.

HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS*

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Aug.± 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984	Aug.± 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984	Aug.± 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984
FOR TEXAS									
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 385.63	$ 381.64	$ 376.13	41.2	40.6	41.7	$ 9.36	$ 9.40	$ 9.02
Durable Goods	383.05	376.58	370.82	41.5	40.8	41.9	9.23	9.23	8.85
Lumber & Wood Products	270.36	272.70	263.07	39.7	40.4	39.5	6.81	6.75	6.66
Furniture & Fixtures	254.63	241.55	229.63	39.6	38.1	38.4	6.43	6.34	5.98
Stone, Clay & Glass Prods.	388.51	389.76	356.75	45.6	44.8	43.4	8.52	8.70	8.22
Primary Metal Industries	435.27	432.37	413.76	42.3	41.1	41.5	10.29	10.52	9.97
Fabricated Metal Products	358.39	360.86	347.32	41.1	41.1	41.2	8.72	8.78	8.43
Machinery, exc. Electric	392.23	391.38	390.57	40.9	40.6	43.3	9.59	9.64	9.02
Oil Field Machinery	461.85	457.85	487.80	41.2	41.1	45.0	11.21	11.14	10.84
Electric & Electronic Equip.	407.54	381.03	411.45	41.0	39.0	42.2	9.94	9.77	9.75
Transportation Equipment	517.41	496.94	492.06	42.1	40.8	42.9	12.29	12.18	11.47
Instruments & Related Prod.	324.01	310.86	300.85	40.1	39.3	39.9	8.08	7.91	7.54
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	252.89	252.95	273.44	39.7	39.4	39.4	6.37	6.42	6.94
Nondurable Goods	389.23	389.05	383.88	40.8	40.4	41.5	9.54	9.63	9.25
Food & Kindred Products	338.02	342.13	341.20	42.2	42.5	43.8	8.01	8.05	7.79
Meat Products	273.90	280.26	291.40	41.5	42.4	44.9	6.60	6.61	6.49
Malt Beverages	844.19	843.18	769.92	50.1	50.1	48.0	16.85	16.83	16.04
Textile Mill Products	298.25	287.18	266.59	43.1	41.5	40.7	6.92	6.92	6.55
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	192.92	181.98	186.35	37.1	35.2	37.8	5.20	5.17	4.93
Paper & Allied Products	448.42	432.85	425.97	43.2	41.5	43.6	10.38	10.43	9.77
Printing & Publishing	370.12	361.69	355.77	40.1	39.4	40.2	9.23	9.18	8.85
Chemicals & Allied Products	618.72	628.66	601.51	42.7	43.0	42.6	14.49	14.62	14.12
Petroleum & Coal Products	545.03	552.51	585.01	39.9	40.3	42.3	13.66	13.71	13.83
Petroleum Refining	560.99	567.62	606.32	39.9	40.2	42.4	14.06	14.12	14.30
Leather & Leather Products	210.14	192.39	205.86	38.7	36.3	36.5	5.43	5.30	5.64
Other Nondurable Goods	374.82	365.92	352.78	41.6	41.3	42.3	9.01	8.86	8.34
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	485.63	481.31	465.68	42.9	43.4	45.3	11.32	11.09	10.28
Oil & Gas Extraction	485.93	480.82	467.37	42.7	43.2	45.2	11.38	11.13	10.34
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	466.86	481.44	418.93	46.5	47.2	46.6	10.04	10.20	8.99
Commun., exc. U. S. Postal Service	461.74	459.02	438.85	39.6	39.3	39.5	11.66	11.68	11.11
Elec., Gas & San. Services	457.41	458.40	432.64	40.3	40.0	40.7	11.35	11.46	10.63
Wholesale & Retail Trade	231.77	231.44	232.88	33.3	33.3	34.5	6.96	6.95	6.75
Wholesale Trade	375.60	376.00	365.42	40.0	40.0	40.2	9.39	9.40	9.09
Retail Trade	186.58	185.95	189.08	31.2	31.2	32.6	5.98	5.96	5.80
General Merchandise Stores	187.88	187.20	160.29	30.5	31.2	30.3	6.16	6.00	5.29
Banking	267.14	271.04	259.74	38.0	38.5	39.0	7.03	7.04	6.66

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 380.88	$ 371.79	$ 362.71	41.4	40.5	41.5	$ 9.20	$ 9.18	$ 8.74
Durable Goods	399.36	387.03	380.45	41.6	40.4	41.9	9.60	9.58	9.08
Nondurable Goods	338.22	335.75	325.21	40.7	40.5	40.6	8.31	8.29	8.01
FORT WORTH									
Manufacturing	392.64	386.51	363.66	41.2	40.6	41.8	9.53	9.52	8.70
Durable Goods	412.34	401.94	373.22	41.4	40.6	41.7	9.96	9.90	8.95
Nondurable Goods	344.29	347.04	341.04	40.6	40.4	42.0	8.48	8.59	8.12
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	468.26	471.10	464.83	42.3	42.1	43.0	11.07	11.19	10.81
Durable Goods	413.10	407.97	409.02	42.5	41.8	43.1	9.72	9.76	9.49
Nondurable Goods	546.07	560.22	540.11	42.2	42.7	42.9	12.94	13.12	12.59
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	291.82	287.75	273.91	40.7	39.8	40.4	7.17	7.23	6.78
Durable Goods	313.55	309.00	302.33	42.2	41.2	41.7	7.43	7.50	7.25
Nondurable Goods	270.48	267.19	245.55	39.2	38.5	39.1	6.90	6.94	6.28

*Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. ±Preliminary -- subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.
SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.

The largest number of cutbacks over the month was recorded in government, where all three sectors declined for a total loss of 6,600 in August. Local government employment dropped by 4,300 as workers hired for summer recreational programs were released and the summer school semester ended. State government also recorded seasonal layoffs, as did federal government to a lesser degree.

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Manufacturing employment declined by 1,600 in August, with almost all of the decreases concentrated in the durable goods sector, which lost 2,100 jobs over the month. The largest decrease was in nonelectrical machinery, where the combined effects of several large layoffs and a vacation shutdown deleted 2,500 jobs over the month. This industry, which includes the making of computer components and oil field machinery, has lost 6,200 positions since last August. Smaller declines occurred in electric and electronic equipment, in lumber and wood products and in primary metal industries. The largest of the moderate increases in durable goods was in transportation equipment, which gained 600 jobs in August. Most of this growth was the result of a recall of workers in aircraft and parts. Furniture and fixtures, along with stone, clay and glass products, registered modest advances over the month.

Nondurable goods registered an overall gain of 500 in August, as one large increase and several smaller ones were partially nullified by a few downturns. The one significant advance was in apparel and other textile products, where 1,300 jobs were added as workers who had been on unpaid vacations were recalled. The largest decline was the loss of 800 jobs in other nondurable goods; while smaller drops occurred in chemicals and allied products and petroleum and coal products.

HOURS UP, EARNINGS DIP IN AUGUST

While the average number of hours worked by manufacturing production workers rose by 0.6 hour between July and August, average hourly earnings declined by 4¢, holding the increase in average weekly earnings to $3.99 over the month. In mid-August, the average worker was earning $9.36 per hour for a 41.2-hour work week, and averaging $385.63 per week. Durable goods industries were largely responsible for the increase in the number of hours worked in August, although some nondurable industries also reported increases.

Compared to a year earlier, average hours had declined by 0.5 hour, while average hourly earnings had risen by 34¢, for an over-the-year increase in average weekly earnings of $9.50 per week.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	Aug. 1985	Aug. 1984
Total Population	16,276,500	16,011,300*
% UI Covered Unemployment	1.5	2.3
UI Covered Employers	312,144	303,076
Total Claims Actions	449,408	427,387
Total Initial Claims Actions	61,950	60,119
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	388,458	367,268
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$143.63	$133.75
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	$52,899,212	$43,048,542
Total Placements	41,276	49,475

*Revised.
**Regular State UI benefits.

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EMPLOYER SEMINARS SCHEDULED

Commissioner Mary Scott Nabers, the employer representative at TEC, is holding half-day seminars with employers throughout the State aimed at helping them control unemployment tax costs. TEC representatives will discuss laws and procedures concerning unemployment insurance taxes, ideas for cost reduction, the appeals process and fraud control. Seminars will be held from 8:00-11:30 a.m. in the following locations during the remainder of 1984:

(1) Dallas-Thurs., Nov. 7, Regent Hotel
(2) Sherman-Fri., Nov. 8, Sheraton Hotel
(3) Wichita Falls-Thurs., Nov. 21, Hilton
(4) Texarkana-Fri., Nov. 22, Howard Johnson
(5) Laredo-Thurs., Dec. 5, La Posada Hotel
(6) San Antonio-Fri., Dec. 6, Marriott North

The schedule for 14 similar seminars to be held in January-April 1986 will be announced late this year. For more information, call (512) 463-2425.

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Sep. 1985	Aug. 1985	Sep. 1984
United States (Actual)			
Labor Force	115,850.0	116,679.0	113,843.0
Unemployment	7,984.0	8,051.0	8,051.0
Percent Unemployed	6.9	6.9	7.1
Total Employment	107,866.0	108,628.0	105,792.0
United States (Seasonally Adjusted)			
Labor Force	115,818.0	115,299.0	113,764.0
Unemployment	8,274.0	8,127.0	8,370.0
Percent Unemployed	7.1	7.0	7.4
Total Employment	107,544.0	107,172.0	105,394.0
State of Texas (Actual)			
Labor Force	7,996.6	8,044.5	7,959.1
Unemployment	577.1	559.8	463.3
Percent Unemployed	7.2	7.0	5.8
Total Employment	7,419.5	7,484.7	7,495.8
State of Texas (Seasonally Adjusted)			
Labor Force	7,976.0	8,001.0	7,937.0
Unemployment	568.0	570.0	447.0
Percent Unemployed	7.1	7.1	5.6
Total Employment	7,408.0	7,431.0	7,490.0

UNEMPLOYMENT RISES SLIGHTLY

The number of jobless Texans rose by 17,300 between August and September, totaling 577,100 in mid-September in the actual series. The unemployment rate inched upward over the month from 7.0 percent to 7.2 percent, due primarily to an increase among re-entrants into the labor force (people who had previously withdrawn from the labor force and were once again seeking work). As has been the case for most of 1985, the current rates in both the actual and seasonally adjusted series were considerably above those for the same month in 1984. Texas rates continued to be at or above those for the Nation in both series, as the U. S. actual rate remained at 6.9 percent over the month and the seasonally adjusted rate was virtually unchanged at 7.1 percent, the same as the State's rate in this series. Total employment in the actual series declined by 65,200 over the month to a level of 7,419,500. Employment was also below the year-ago totals in both the actual and seasonally adjusted series.

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT 1/
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Industry	Sep.'85*	Aug.'85**	Sep.'84**	Sep.'85*	Aug.'85**	Sep.'84**	Sep.'85*	Aug.'85**	Sep.'84**
	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN		
TOTAL	54,000	52,800	52,900	81,400	80,500	80,600	352,500	340,000	336,500
Manufacturing	5,900	5,900	5,500	10,000	9,900	10,200	41,400	41,800	41,300
Mining	4,000	4,000	4,000	1,500	1,600	1,900	1,100	1,100	1,000
Construction	2,900	3,000	3,000	5,200	5,300	4,800	28,800	29,300	26,800
Trans., Comm., & Util.	2,900	2,800	2,800	6,100	6,200	6,500	9,600	9,500	9,200
Trade	14,600	14,600	14,000	24,900	24,800	24,000	75,100	75,100	73,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,700	2,700	2,700	4,300	4,400	4,400	25,400	25,300	23,000
Services & Misc.	13,000	12,400	12,800	15,800	15,900	15,500	80,700	79,700	73,400
Government	8,000	7,400	8,100	13,600	12,400	13,300	90,400	78,200	88,800
	BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN		
TOTAL	135,700	135,600	143,600	58,600	57,900	59,700	65,200	63,900	64,200
Manufacturing	26,700	26,800	30,900	16,600	16,600	17,300	10,100	10,100	10,700
Mining	2,700	2,700	3,000	2,100	2,100	2,400	100	100	100
Construction	8,700	8,700	10,000	5,800	5,900	6,900	3,500	3,700	3,300
Trans., Comm., & Util.	11,400	11,400	11,900	2,500	2,500	2,600	3,300	3,400	3,100
Trade	33,400	34,100	34,000	11,100	11,200	11,000	18,300	18,400	18,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	5,500	5,500	5,600	2,400	2,400	2,200	3,400	3,400	3,200
Services & Misc.	27,600	28,000	28,400	7,500	7,600	7,400	11,900	11,900	11,800
Government	19,700	18,400	19,800	10,600	9,600	9,900	14,600	12,900	14,000
	BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS 2/		
TOTAL	48,500	47,400	48,600	137,000	134,900	134,000	1,248.3	1,240.9	1,228.9
Manufacturing	3,600	3,500	3,300	13,500	13,400	13,900	221.8	222.2	224.0
Mining	1,500	1,400	1,400	7,400	7,400	8,000	23.7	24.0	23.4
Construction	2,600	2,700	3,200	12,100	12,400	10,300	82.4	83.1	78.8
Trans., Comm., & Util.	1,700	1,700	1,600	7,700	7,800	7,700	78.2	78.3	76.0
Trade	11,400	11,000	10,500	35,100	34,900	33,900	328.2	328.2	324.7
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	1,900	1,900	6,400	6,400	6,600	118.6	118.7	114.9
Services & Misc.	7,800	7,600	7,400	27,400	26,800	26,100	261.2	260.1	257.7
Government	18,000	17,600	19,300	27,400	25,800	27,500	134.2	126.3	129.4
	EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	177,200	175,200	171,500	488,700	486,200	471,700	74,100	72,800	72,900
Manufacturing	41,600	41,600	38,600	110,300	109,900	108,700	9,800	10,000	10,300
Mining	500	500	400	4,600	4,600	4,700	1,200	1,200	1,000
Construction	9,600	9,500	9,100	30,200	31,000	29,200	4,100	4,200	4,300
Trans., Comm., & Util.	9,500	9,300	9,900	23,900	24,100	23,600	5,700	5,700	6,000
Trade	41,800	41,700	40,700	134,100	134,100	131,900	14,100	14,400	14,300
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	8,600	8,600	8,300	27,600	27,700	25,900	4,900	5,000	4,900
Services & Misc.	31,000	31,100	30,100	96,900	97,400	90,200	13,000	13,400	12,200
Government	34,600	32,900	34,400	61,100	57,400	57,500	21,300	18,900	19,900

WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT INCREASES SEASONALLY

The number of nonfarm salaried jobs in the State rose by a moderate 13,400 in September, totaling 6,594,900 at mid-month. The increase was centered in government, which generated 36,800 additional jobs. This gain was partially negated by losses in many other sectors. The advance in government was primarily seasonal, due to the staffing of local and state schools and colleges for the fall semester. Federal government posted a minor decrease which had little impact on the group's total gain.

The settlement of a labor-management dispute in transportation, except railroads, pushed employment in transportation and utilities up by 1,800 in September. The growth occurred despite smaller losses in electric, gas and sanitary services. Increases among insurance carriers, agents and brokers pushed employment up by 500 in finance, insurance and real estate over the month. Some seasonal growth in general merchandise and food stores generated the only increases in wholesale and retail trade.

Services recorded the largest decrease in September, as every sector except educational services lost jobs. The most notable declines occurred in amusement,

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT 1/
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Industry	Sep. '85*	Aug. '85**	Sep. '84**	Sep. '85*	Aug. '85**	Sep. '84**	Sep. '85*	Aug. '85**	Sep. '84**
	HOUSTON 2/			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO		
TOTAL	1,494.4	1,490.4	1,465.0	66,100	66,200	64,500	33,200	32,600	31,400
Manufacturing	173.1	173.5	177.0	8,700	8,800	8,700	1,900	1,900	1,900
Mining	97.8	98.4	96.1	--	--	--	1,700	1,700	1,700
Construction	109.7	111.1	114.2	4,100	4,100	3,700	1,400	1,500	1,100
Trans., Comm., & Util.	104.6	104.0	101.8	3,000	3,000	3,100	3,700	3,700	3,400
Trade	369.8	370.7	370.4	16,200	16,400	15,900	10,000	10,000	9,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	118.1	118.3	109.8	3,000	3,000	2,700	1,600	1,600	1,500
Services & Misc.	339.4	340.6	324.6	12,200	12,000	11,900	5,200	5,100	5,000
Government	181.9	173.8	171.1	18,900	18,900	18,500	7,700	7,100	7,200
	LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION		
TOTAL	66,100	65,800	66,700	94,700	93,000	91,300	80,800	77,800	77,400
Manufacturing	15,100	15,000	15,200	8,400	8,500	8,800	10,800	10,500	10,200
Mining	4,700	4,800	4,800	400	400	600	1,700	1,800	1,800
Construction	4,500	4,300	5,000	5,500	5,700	4,400	4,600	4,700	4,300
Trans., Comm., & Util.	3,200	3,400	3,400	5,200	5,100	4,800	2,800	2,800	2,600
Trade	16,400	16,400	16,300	27,900	27,300	26,600	23,900	23,700	23,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,900	3,100	3,000	5,700	5,900	5,600	3,600	3,600	3,500
Services & Misc.	11,000	10,900	11,000	19,900	19,700	19,900	12,400	12,100	12,000
Government	8,300	7,900	8,000	21,700	20,400	20,600	21,000	18,600	19,800
	MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO		
TOTAL	51,600	51,800	52,100	53,200	53,600	53,500	38,800	38,200	38,600
Manufacturing	3,200	3,200	3,600	4,400	4,500	5,000	5,400	5,200	5,600
Mining	11,500	11,800	12,800	8,100	8,300	8,800	900	900	900
Construction	2,700	2,800	2,800	4,000	4,000	3,800	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trans., Comm., & Util.	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,600	2,600	2,600	3,900	3,900	3,800
Trade	12,400	12,600	12,200	16,100	16,000	15,800	10,000	10,000	9,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,500	3,600	3,600	2,000	2,000	2,200	1,800	1,800	1,700
Services & Misc.	9,000	9,100	8,800	8,200	8,300	7,900	7,500	7,500	7,800
Government	6,800	6,200	5,800	7,800	7,900	7,400	6,600	6,200	6,500
	SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	474,700	472,500	464,500	37,500	37,100	37,400	46,400	46,100	46,200
Manufacturing	49,500	51,000	52,100	11,900	12,100	12,500	7,600	7,500	7,700
Mining	3,500	3,500	3,600	300	300	300	100	100	100
Construction	36,100	37,200	35,000	1,400	1,300	1,200	1,900	1,900	2,200
Trans., Comm., & Util.	18,300	18,300	18,300	2,100	2,100	2,100	1,800	1,900	1,900
Trade	127,700	127,400	122,800	8,200	8,200	8,000	12,000	12,100	11,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	36,100	36,100	34,000	1,400	1,400	1,300	1,700	1,700	1,700
Services & Misc.	102,000	101,700	99,500	7,300	7,100	7,100	8,600	8,500	8,300
Government	101,500	97,300	99,200	4,900	4,600	4,900	12,700	12,400	12,700
	TYLER			VICTORIA 3/			WACO		
TOTAL	62,400	60,900	61,300	29,900	29,400	29,600	78,200	76,400	77,600
Manufacturing	12,300	11,300	12,600	2,900	3,000	2,900	15,800	15,900	16,100
Mining	3,300	3,300	3,600	2,800	2,700	3,100	--	--	--
Construction	3,400	3,300	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,700	4,500	4,500	4,300
Trans., Comm., & Util.	2,900	3,000	2,900	1,700	1,500	1,500	3,700	3,700	3,600
Trade	16,300	16,200	15,900	8,700	8,400	8,100	19,600	19,400	19,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,600	3,500	3,400	1,600	1,600	1,600	4,800	4,900	4,900
Services & Misc.	12,600	12,600	12,200	5,200	5,300	5,500	18,200	17,400	17,600
Government	8,000	7,700	7,800	4,100	4,000	4,200	11,600	10,600	11,300
	WICHITA FALLS								
TOTAL	51,800	51,200	51,600						
Manufacturing	9,200	9,200	9,200						
Mining	3,100	3,200	3,400						
Construction	2,200	2,200	1,900						
Trans., Comm., & Util.	2,500	2,600	2,600						
Trade	12,700	12,700	12,300						
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,500	2,500	2,400						
Services & Misc.	9,500	9,400	9,600						
Government	10,100	9,400	10,200						

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1/ All estimates (except Victoria) prepared by TEC in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

2/ In Thousands.

3/ Estimates for the Victoria MSA are sponsored by TEC.

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY ESTIMATES 1/

Industry	Sep. 1985*	Aug. 1985**	Sep. 1984**	Change From Aug. 1985	Change From Sep. 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT±	6,594,900	6,581,500	6,475,400	13,400	119,500
Manufacturing	997,400	1,000,700	1,008,200	-3,300	-10,800
Durable Goods	579,400	582,500	588,900	-3,100	-9,500
Lumber & Wood Products	41,900	41,700	43,400	200	-1,500
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,900	6,900	7,300	0	-400
Furniture & Fixtures	17,700	17,600	18,000	100	-300
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	50,600	50,900	49,100	-300	1,500
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Products	25,600	25,600	23,400	0	2,200
Primary Metal Industries	35,900	35,700	36,900	200	-1,000
Fabricated Metal Industries	84,400	84,600	83,900	-200	500
Fabricated Structural Metal Products	43,700	43,900	43,900	-200	-200
Machinery, Except Electrical	125,200	126,500	133,300	-1,300	-8,100
Oil Field Machinery	38,300	38,700	40,200	-400	-1,900
Electric & Electronic Equipment	109,600	111,600	111,400	-2,000	-1,800
Transportation Equipment	79,400	79,300	76,900	100	2,500
Aircraft & Parts	42,000	41,700	39,000	300	3,000
Instruments & Related Products	22,300	22,300	23,100	0	-800
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	12,400	12,300	12,900	100	-500
Nondurable Goods	418,000	418,200	419,300	-200	-1300
Food & Kindred Products	100,800	99,900	96,100	900	4,700
Meat Products	27,700	27,400	25,700	300	2,000
Dairy Products	5,400	5,400	5,300	0	100
Bakery Products	12,100	11,900	10,600	200	1,500
Malt Beverages	3,100	3,000	3,000	100	100
Textile Mill Products	4,800	4,800	5,000	0	-200
Apparel & Other Finished Textile Products	58,400	59,000	61,600	-600	-3,200
Paper & Allied Products	23,900	23,800	23,900	100	0
Printing & Publishing	73,200	73,500	72,100	-300	1,100
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc. Publ.	36,800	37,100	35,700	-300	1,100
Chemicals & Allied Products	75,700	76,000	77,000	-300	-1,300
Petroleum & Coal Products	40,400	40,400	41,800	0	-1,400
Petroleum Refining	37,200	37,300	38,600	-100	-1,400
Leather & Leather Products	7,600	7,500	7,900	100	-300
Other Nondurable Goods	33,200	33,300	33,900	-100	-700
Total Nonmanufacturing	5,597,500	5,580,800	5,467,200	16,700	130,300
Mining	263,300	267,100	271,700	-3,800	-8,400
Oil & Gas Extraction	253,600	257,600	262,100	-4,000	-8,500
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., Exc. Fuel	9,700	9,500	9,600	200	100
Construction	440,100	446,700	428,000	-6,600	12,100
Transportation & Public Utilities	376,700	374,900	374,000	1,800	2,700
Railroad Transportation	23,700	23,700	25,500	0	-1,800
Transportation, Except Railroads	186,200	183,800	180,600	2,400	5,600
Transportation by Air	41,400	41,100	37,800	300	3,600
Communication, Exc. U. S. Postal Service	86,800	86,800	89,100	0	-2,300
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	80,000	80,600	78,800	-600	1,200
Electric Services	44,800	45,200	44,100	-400	700
Gas Production & Distribution	28,500	28,700	28,800	-200	-300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	1,648,200	1,647,900	1,623,800	300	24,400
Wholesale Trade	426,000	426,800	429,200	-800	-3,200
Retail Trade	1,222,200	1,221,100	1,194,600	1,100	27,600
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	55,700	57,100	55,200	-1,400	500
General Merchandise Stores	160,900	158,400	155,200	2,500	5,700
Food Stores	220,500	219,100	214,100	1,400	6,400
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	141,500	141,800	137,000	-300	4,500
Apparel & Accessory Stores	80,600	81,400	80,800	-800	-200
Other Retail Trade	563,000	563,300	552,300	-300	10,700
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	429,600	429,100	418,700	500	10,900
Banking	107,100	107,200	105,200	-100	1,900
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	132,200	131,700	128,500	500	3,700
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	190,300	190,200	185,000	100	5,300
Services	1,308,200	1,320,500	1,271,700	-12,300	36,500
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	79,100	81,800	78,400	-2,700	700
Personal Services	82,600	83,000	78,500	-400	4,100
Business & Repair Services	365,700	370,900	357,800	-5,200	7,900
Amusement, Including Motion Pictures	63,800	70,300	51,100	-6,500	12,700
Health Services	343,000	344,800	342,300	-1,800	700
Educational Services	57,800	50,500	58,600	7,300	-800
Other Services & Miscellaneous	316,200	319,200	305,000	-3,000	11,200
Total Government	1,131,400	1,094,600	1,079,300	36,800	52,100
Total Federal Government	186,800	189,400	177,400	-2,600	9,400
Total State Government	276,000	265,400	250,700	10,600	25,300
Total Local Government	668,600	639,800	651,200	28,800	17,400

1/ Estimated number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. ±Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics and Employment & Training Administration, U. S. Department of Labor.

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